

McKinley High School (Pottorf Education Center)
800 North Market Street
Canton
Stark County
Ohio

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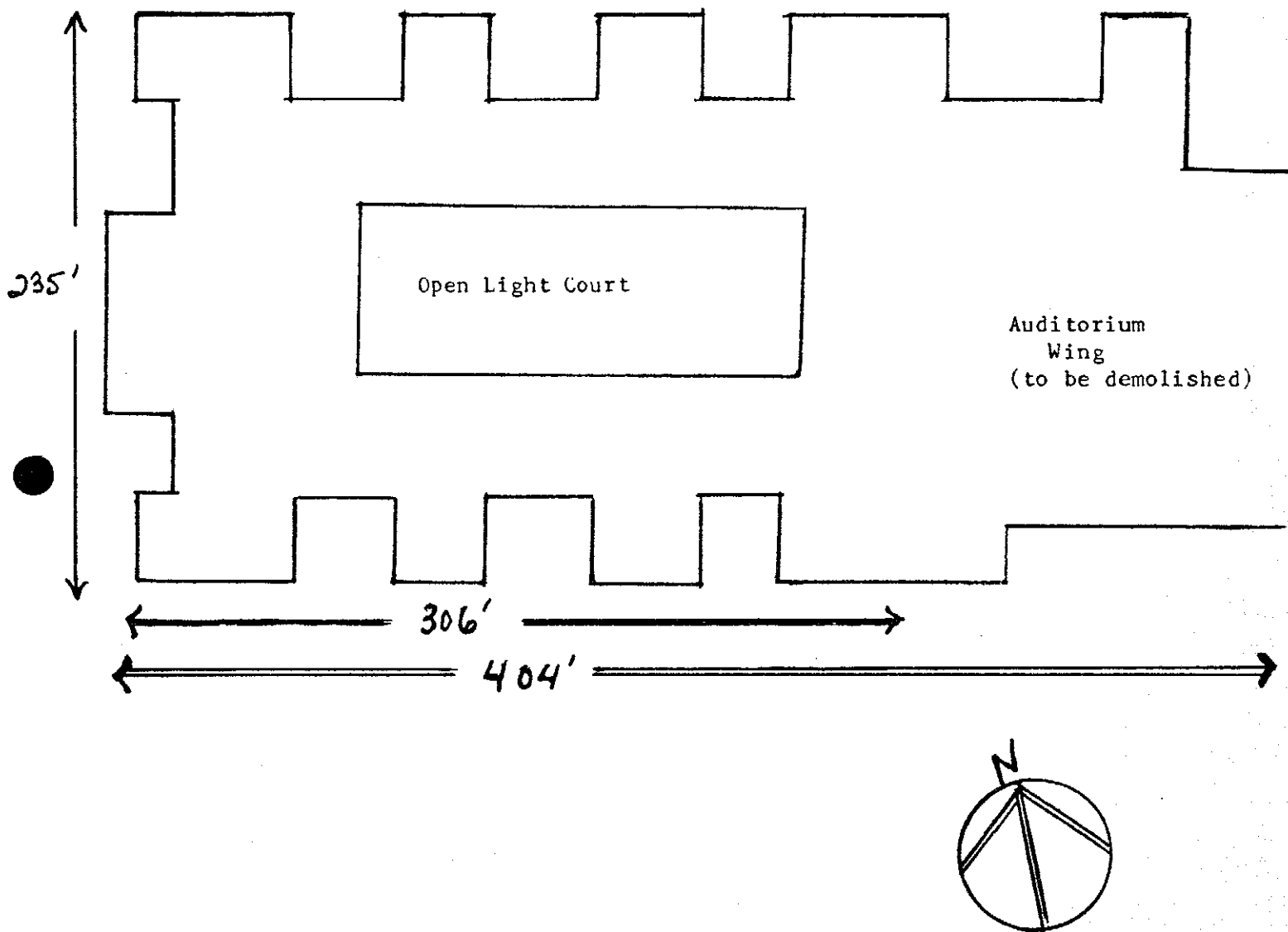
WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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STATE Ohio		COUNTY Stark	TOWN OR VICINITY Canton
STORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) McKinley High School (Minutes, Canton Board of Education, 2/4/18)			HABS NO. OH-2260
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Pottorf Education Center			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 800 N. Market Street, Canton, OH 44702 USGS Coordinates: 17 468800 4516800			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1916-1921 (Minutes, Canton Board of Education, 7/3/16-1/5/20)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) George Hammond (Minutes, Canton Board of Education 1915-1921)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) McKinley High School exemplifies architectural theories about form and use advocated by its architect George Hammond, having been designed to accommodate the region's most advanced educational ideas. It is also a late example of Hammond's work which included Cleveland's Hollenden Hotel (1885), Ohio Bell Building, Lakeside Hospital and Canton's Aultman Hospital (1891-2) and the remodeling of the Stark County Courthouse (1892-3).			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Neo-Classical			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Masonry bearing system with unglazed buff brick veneer, concreted beams and steel purlins.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) See attachment			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Buff, unglazed brick and stone fabric; unadorned roofline surmounting a modillionated stone entablature supporting an attic story whose window bays are defined by slender classical pilasters, a theme repeated in the first two stories where the chief embellishment is the fenestration. Main entry features a one-story portico whose brick pediment and modillionated entablature are supported by six doric columns and two square corner members. Open three-story interior light court.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Three stories of classrooms on a double-loaded corridor system connected at the corners by four staircases designed for ease of flow. A 26'X62' tiled swimming pool, now deteriorated. Tiled ticket booth and small auditorium proscenium in auditorium wing to be salvaged. Spiral ramp system to auditorium to be demolished. See photos attached.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Right (south) wing and Market Street section, 1916-18 Left (north) section and auditorium, 1919-21.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Condition: good with some deteriorated features. Being adapted as a multi-use ambulatory and extended care nursing facility for the elderly.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Documentation prepared February/March 1984 by Mary L. Reeb, Consultant. Photos: Wesley Wilson. Project: McKinley Center Associates, Robert Gastman, Managing Partner, Canton, Ohio.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) See attachment.			
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SITE PLAN SHOWING DIMENSIONS (Date: March, 1984)

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